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Pedestrian Safety Detail

The Beaverton Police Department will be conducting a Pedestrian Safety Detail on October 10, 2012. The detail will be at the intersection of SW Watson Ave. and SW 4th St.

The Beaverton Police Departments Traffic Safety Unit has received complaints from citizens about this location. The detail will be conducted between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

This detail will focus on vehicles failing to stop and remain stopped for pedestrians in a crosswalk. Motorists are reminded it's your lane plus six feet. Stop for the pedestrian, who must clear the lane you're turning into and at least 6 feet of the next lane, before you proceed. Please see the link below for full text of the law at. http://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/811.028

The primary focus of this detail is to raise pedestrian safety awareness. Through the use of a decoy pedestrian, the Beaverton Police Department hopes to raise the awareness of drivers and pedestrians through education and enforcement of pedestrian right of way laws.

It is important to remember with winter coming upon us to keep a better eye out for pedestrians. With the inclement weather and earlier hours of darkness, Pedestrians might be more difficult to see. Pedestrians are also reminded to wear bright colors and pay attention to the traffic flow.

In our continued effort to provide options other than the standard citation, drivers receiving citations are given the option of taking a crosswalk diversion program hosted by the Beaverton Police Department. Please see the below link for a video about crosswalk safety and the crosswalk diversion program.

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